



**The Yanmar Wooden Boatshop 2016 Wooden Boat Festival
12th – 14th March, 2016**

NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority: The Royal Geelong Yacht Club

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1. Rules

The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), and the Special Regulations of Yachting Australia (YA).

2. Advertising

Boats may be required to display advertising collateral chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 The Regatta is open to all wooden boats (Classic Yachts designed before 1985).
- 3.2 All yacht racing competitors will be a member of a yacht club affiliated with Yachting Australia and hold YA membership.
- 3.3 By entering the event competitors agree to any photographic images or video recording from the event being used by the organizing authority and/or event sponsors. No remuneration will be made for use of such images or recordings.
- 3.4 Eligible boats may enter online. Online entries and Regatta information can be accessed on the RGYC website; www.rgyc.com.au or www.woodenboatfestival.yachting.org.au
- 3.5 Entries close at 1700hrs Friday, 14th February, 2016
- 3.6 All boats entered must fly the supplied 2016 Wooden Boat Festival flags when berthed in the marina

4. Fees (all fees include GST)

Keel Boat & Power Boats: \$90 per boat. This entry fee includes commemorative plaque, event flag, berthage and event photos on a wooden USB stick (mailed out after the event).

Dinghy: \$55 per boat

Boats Displaying On-Water: \$55 per boat in Marina area

Boats Displaying on Hardstand: \$55 per boat in hard stand display area

Rowing Skiff: \$30 per boat

All entrants will be in the running for a range of prizes with a total value of \$4000

5. Schedule of Race & Events

| Classes/Divisions | Sat 12 th | Sun 13 th | Mon 14 th |
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| Registration & sign On | Opens 9:00am | | |
| Classic Yachts | Passage | Grand Parade SC Racing | Shore-side activities: - Bands - Displays - BBQ's - Socialising |
| Modern | Passage | Grand Parade SC Racing | |
| Couta Boats | Passage | Grand Parade SC Racing | |
| Tumlarins | Passage | Grand Parade SC Racing | |
| Heron Traveller Series | 1 x WL | 2 x WL | |
| OTB Wooden Boat Series | 1 x WL | 2 x WL | |
| Boats Displaying On-Water | Marina Display | Grand Parade | |
| Boats Displaying on Hardstand | Hardstand Display | Grand Parade | |
| Wooden Power Boats | | Grand Parade Nav Rally | |

WL: Windward Leeward, SC: Special Course

6. Measurements

All boats shall provide the organizing authority with a valid handicap.

7. Sailing Instructions

Sailing instructions will be available for download from the RGYC website after the 17th February 2016. Courses shall be as described in the Sailing Instructions

8. Scoring

- 8.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series
- 8.2 A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. This changes rule A2.

9. Radio Communications

Race committee communications will be made on VHF channel 71

10. Prizes

Prizes will be given at the discretion of the organizing authority and the Wooden Boat Festival Committee and also for the following events;

- The City of Greater Geelong Passage Race for Modern Yachts
- The centralgeelong.com.au Passage Race for Classic Wooden Yachts
- The centralgeelong.com.au Passage race for Couta Boats

- The centralgeelong.com.au Passage race for Tumlarins
- The Yanmar Wooden Boatshop Couta Boat Cup
- The woodenboat.com.au Corio Bay Classic Wooden Yacht Cup
- The City of Greater Geelong Corio Bay Cup for Modern Wooden yachts
- The 6Ft6 Wines Concourse d'Elegance for Wooden Yachts
- The Cayzer Boats Concourse d'Elegance for Wooden Power Boats
- The VRCA Navigation Rally for Wooden Power Boats
- The RGYC Heron Traveller Series

11. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race.

The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

12. Safety Requirements

The Safety Categories will be Yachting Australia Special Regulations as detailed below;

- Keel Boats: Category 5
- Couta Boats: Cat 7
- Tumlarins: Cat 7
- Dinghies: YA Special Regulations Part 2
- Skiffs: YA Special Regulations Part 2
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All personnel aboard vessels without lifelines shall wear the appropriate Personal Flotation Device at all times when afloat.

13. Insurance

By lodging an entry, the owner/charterer agrees that he/she will ensure that the entered yacht is covered by suitable public liability insurance of at least AU\$10,000,000 (or foreign currency equivalent), valid for racing, and current for the duration of the 2016 Wooden Boat Festival.

14. About the Venue

The Royal Geelong Yacht Club was established in 1859 and is the premier yacht club on Corio Bay, Victoria, and is ideally situated on the Central Geelong Waterfront Precinct. The Club offers extensive facilities for members and the yachting community. The facilities which are available include a 250 berth marina with slipway and yard repair facilities along with a newly refurbished clubhouse which includes a fine restaurant and bar facilities. There is also a sail maker onsite.

15. Marina Berths

Some berths will be available at no charge to entrants and can be booked by contacting the RGYC Marina Manager; m: 0418 524 867 or e: marina@rgyc.com.au

16. Launching Facilities

Trailable boats intending to display, either on the water or hardstand should enter the RGYC Eastern gate and should be on display by 10am on Saturday, 12th March, 2016.
Boats can also be launched at the nearby public boat ramps at St Helens and Limeburners Pt.

17. Accommodation

Geelong and suburbs has a wide range of accommodation from 5 star hotels and apartments on the waterfront to comfortable cabins in several caravan parks all within 5 km of the Club.

Further information about accommodation can be obtained from Geelong Visitor Information on 1800 755 611 or www.visit.geelongbellarine.com

Further Information

Further information is available at the Wooden Boat Festival website or contact Stuart Dickson on 0417 379 860